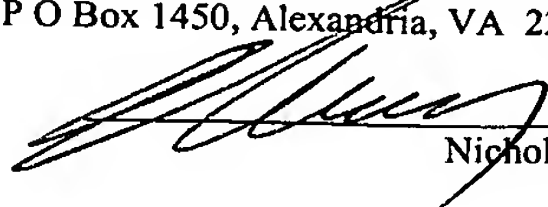




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Group Art Unit: 1634

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Title: CORRECTION FOR ILLUMINATION
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SYNTHESIS OF ARRAYS OF OLIGOMERS

File No.: 700706.90068

RESPONSE

Commissioner For Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to a requirement for restriction dated February 6, 2003 in the file of the above-identified application, the applicants respond herewith.

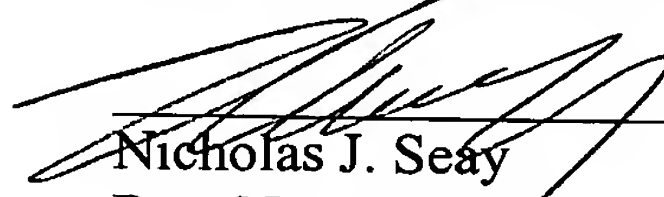
By this response the applicants responds to the requirement for restriction by electing Group I, with traverse.

The applicants believe that the applicants and the Patent Office would be both served if these claims were considered in a single patent application. The Examiner is correct in that these groups of claims are related as product and process. However, the applicants believe that the proper characterization would be that the method Claims 1-6 are drawn to a method of operating instruments such as that described in Claims 7 and 8. The apparatus of Group II is uniquely designed for creating DNA arrays and does not have other significant uses, at least that are known now. It is also submitted that a search of the subject matter of either group would encompass the art relevant to the other.

For this reason, reconsideration of the requirement for restriction is respectfully requested. Examination on the merits of all claims is also respectfully requested.

A Petition for Extension of Time is submitted herewith so that this response will be considered as timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,



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Multiple Dependent	-3*** =	X	0.00

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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
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1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
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1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	725
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1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
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1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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